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March 22—w&ndwlc

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—AND—  
**ORGANS**

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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL  
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Trains Leave Decatur.

**ILLINOIS MIDLAND R.Y.**  
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Office open at 7 A. M.; closes at 7:30 P. M.  
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from 8 a. m. to 12 m.

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PEDDLING AND SPRING WAGONS.

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J. Stebbins King, M. D.

**DENTIST!**  
Offers his professional services to the peo-  
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**Dr. IRA B. CURTIS**  
RESPECTFULLY informs the citizens of  
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**HARVEY PASCO,**  
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**Dr. A. S. Waltz,**  
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**Dr. R. C. DAWKINS,**  
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**Dr. J. KING, M. D.**  
HAS RESUMED THE PRACTICE OF MED-

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House, Sign & Fresco  
PAINTER.

**AMERICAN HOUSE!**  
Southwest of the Court House, on the corner  
of Wood and Water streets.

**Commissioner's Sale.**  
FRANCIS REA vs. MARISSA REA et al.



# The Daily Republican.

HAMSHIRE & MOSSER,  
Publishers.

DECATUR, ILLINOIS.  
Wednesday Evening, Mar 29.

A PLAN has been devised by Mr. Cannon, of Illinois, whereby it is hoped to suppress the system of straw bids in the award of mail contracts, as well as to prevent the buying off of low bidders. The plan is simple but apparently feasible, and if enforced should go far toward checking the gross frauds in the mail carrying service. It contemplates the enactment of a law requiring that in the event of a default by one or more of the lowest bidders, the Postmaster General shall award the contract at a rate not above that named in the lowest bid, and if this cannot be done, he is to re-advertise, the same rule to be followed in the awarding of contracts for temporary services. The strict enforcement of this regulation, it is believed, would make straw-bids unprofitable, and encourage honest bidders to compete in good faith.—Chicago Tribune.

It will gratify his constituents to know that Mr. Cannon seems to have a more intelligent understanding of the Postoffice Department and its needs than any other member of the committee. Ever since he took his seat in the House he has devoted special attention to that branch of the public service, making it his chief study, and the consequence is that he has become a recognized authority upon postal affairs. He has not made a very great display upon the floor, but the simple fact that he is so well posted upon his specialty never fails to secure for him the attention of the House whenever he rises to speak. Members of all shades of political opinion listen to him with the greatest respect, for they all recognize the fact that he speaks only after having thoroughly mastered his subject.

## ILLINOIS RAILROAD COMMISSION.

From the Fifth Annual Report of the Illinois Railroad Commission for the year closing June 1, 1875, which has recently been issued, we learn that during the year 331 miles of new road have been opened, making the total length of the State roads 7,109 miles, of which 5,081 are main lines. Steel rails are in use on 1,315 miles of track, and from the report they appear to give unbounded satisfaction. During the year the receipts for freight transportation were \$71,575,580, and for passenger fares, \$26,992,493. The total earnings, including receipts from every source, were \$108,568,073, which was an excess of \$9,128,921 over the earnings of the preceding year. While earnings have increased, the statistics show that the cost of operating the roads has declined from \$5,804.75 per mile in 1874 to \$4,349.24 in 1875. The aggregate net earnings of the roads collectively were \$35,131,814, and the total amount of money paid in dividends was \$11,108,325. Nearly sixty thousand persons are employed in one capacity or another by the Illinois roads, and the new investments in equipments amount to \$743,467. From twenty to sixty per cent. fewer of passengers, employees and outsiders were killed in 1875 than in 1874, and proportionately fewer injured.

The attempt to injure Senator Morton by attacking his brother-in-law, Mr. H. R. Holloway, superintendent of the Indianapolis Postoffice, has failed utterly. Mr. Holloway was charged with improperly influencing the postmaster to appoint W. C. Mason repairer of mail bags, and an indictment was found against him for the alleged offense. The case came up in the United States Circuit Court on Monday, and terminated in the complete vindication of Mr. Holloway. After the examination of the chief witness for the government, the District Attorney said that the government had for some months been aware of the weakness of the case, and had presented it to the court only on account of the high standing of the accused, and to disarm charges of favoritism. The court directed the jury to find for the defendant, which they did without leaving their seats.

"Mr. Lamar," says the Washington correspondent of the Atlanta Constitution, "though apparently in good bodily health, is in a very critical condition, and faces death every time he makes a speech or participates in such a debate as that held on the Belknap case. The paralytic stroke which some time ago nearly put an end to his career may at any time be succeeded by another, with almost a certainty of its proving fatal. It is to avert such a calamity that Mr. Lamar turned his back upon Washington at this time, when his counsels and example are so much needed."

When Brigham Young was in jail some time ago for contempt of court, there were five of his wives weeping at each window of that institution, and twelve at the door.

## GOVERNOR HENDRICK'S FINANCIAL PLATFORM.

From the Chicago Times.  
Hendricks on finance suits the old fashioned circus-men of his party. He rides the greenback animal and the gold dust equine at one and the same time, with celebrity, equi-pose, and a most benignant smile. On the money question, says the itinerant from Indiana, preaching the gospel of St. Hendricks, "My distinguished fellow citizens agree with all the best authors. He admires the policies of the late Nicholas Biddle, he dates upon the memory of the financial theories of General Jackson. Mr. Hendricks, sir, is a statesman, he agrees with you and with me, he agrees, sir, with every body. Mr. Hendricks has a plan on finance which, sir, will wipe out and pulverize the radicals. Hendricks is a statesman, sir, solid foundation, large basement, big bay-window for bowels, and a large Mansard occupied wholly by intellect. Therefore Mr. Hendricks proposes to await action, definite and fixed, by his party on the money question, until after the radicals have made their plank on that issue, nominated their candidate, and stood him before the people thereupon. Then Hendricks—oh! he is sly sir, devilish sly, sir—proposes to put that same plank, no matter what it may be, into the Bourbon platform, the manufacture of which is contemplated at St. Louis."

The advance sheets of the new St. Louis Directory show the population of this interesting suburb to be 498,182, not including the occupants of the cemetery, who have on more than one occasion been mistaken for live citizens by the directory man. Well, 498,182 is not so bad for St. Louis, and Chicago congratulates her little sister on this evidence of prosperity. Chicago can, with an effort, remember when her own population was no greater than the population of St. Louis. But that was at least two or three years ago, and it seems almost indeed when we think of the millions and millions of people who throng our streets and live in our marble and brown stone fronts.—Inter-Ocean.

MUNCHAUSEN revives in the person of the editor of the Abbeville (S. C.) Press. Hear him: "It is said that Mr. W. T. Head some time ago turned an old sore-backed horse out to die, and the animal had been forgotten until it returned a few days ago, with a small oak growing out of its back. It is thought an acorn fell into it, from which the bush grew."

THE Sutor Tunnel is now in 12,000 feet, and work in the header is progressing at the rate of one hundred feet per week, while the tunnel is being widened out at the rate of four hundred feet per week. One hundred and ninety men are now employed and twenty mules. This tunnel is supposed to mean silver in vast quantities.

THE "Gravelly houses" at Chappaqua are offered to rent with garden at \$400. One is the original mansion and the other is the new house which Greeley was building for the family at the time of his death. The old house was inconvenient, but the new has all modern improvements. The farm is let to a marketman.

BRIDGET—"Sure, Maria and me was discussin' over what was thin things in the pitcher over the mantel." Mistress—"Why, Bridget, those are Raphael's angels." Bridget—"Och, thin the both of us wuz wrong; I said they wuz twins, and Maria said they wuz bats."

THE Concord (N. H.) Monitor, while it would prefer Mr. Washburne, seems inclined to the opinion that Mr. Blaine is to be New England's strongest preference for the presidency. The Monitor would like to see Mr. Bristow's name second. It thinks that the New Hampshire delegates should go to Cincinnati unpugged, but if the other New England States are a unit in favor of a New England candidate, it ought to be understood that the Granite State will not prove a stumbling block.

THE Danvers Democrat puts it this way: "Though George Pendleton's honesty cannot be impeached, yet it is considered that his avarice and greed are too great to be becoming to a good Democrat, and it may be that his presidential aspirations, if he has any, will have to be relinquished."

NITRO GLYCERINE, dualin, and other explosives are likely to be thrown into the shade by the recent exploit of a barrel of Michigan sauer kraut. It had been frozen and was being thawed out, when it exploded with a terrific bang that startled the whole town of Adrian. The new explosive is said to be remarkably safe under all ordinary circumstances, and its adaptability for other purposes than those of an explosive nature cause it to be recommended by the Michiganans in the highest terms.

A Chicago deputy sheriff was refused free admission in a Chicago theatre. By way of revenge he impounded the manager on a petit jury.

A witness in a Catskill law office describes the poverty of a field of corn: "The crop was so stunted and short that the toads could sit on their haunches and pick bugs off the tassels."

What is the difference between Noah's ark and a Mississippi flat boat? One is made of Gopher wood, and the other is made to go for wood.

## A PLEASANT ACT OF COURTESY.

From the Methodist.  
A very pleasant incident of St. Patrick's day in this city has attracted some attention. The managers of the procession were requested to suspend their music while passing the Hippodrome, where the Moody meetings were in progress. The courteous request was courteously complied with, and for four blocks this Catholic procession marched without music, to avoid disturbing a Protestant revival service. It was an act of pure politeness, and our Hibornian neighbors are entitled to the full credit of it.

In the course of the effort to soil the good name of Secretary Bristow by raking up the mule case, it has come to light that no less prominent a Democrat than James B. Beck, United States Senator elect from Kentucky, was an ardent advocate of the claim while a member of the House, appearing twice before the committee on claims to explain the case and argue its justice. By this development the Democrats on the committee of investigation will be greatly assisted in reaching the correct conclusion that there was no crookedness in the case. It makes a difference who gets kicked by this mule.—Chicago Tribune.

The Confederates are about to enter upon an investigation into the conduct of the war, in the hope of demonstrating to an astounded nation that the horses in the army of the Potomac were not properly fed, and that the uniforms of the boys in blue were abandoned to the ravages of the moth which corrupts. In short, the vanquished Confederates expect to show that the victorious Union armies were badly managed as regards horse fodder and clothing, and that some of the Quartermasters were not as honest as they should have been. Incidental to the investigation it will be necessary to show that the Quartermasters, horses and mules were all Republicans, else what need of an investigation?

Be sure to call at Curtis & Righter's, No. 17 East Main street, when you want anything in the way of jewelry, watches, clocks, &c. Their stock is the largest in the city, and their prices are always as low as the lowest. [37-dit]

Now here we come to the book and shoe store of V. Barber & Co., let us just step in and take a look at the fine stock on hand. Here are all the latest styles of boots and shoes for men, women and children, also all varieties of slippers, making one of the most complete and select stocks of goods in that line to be found in the state.

For Sale or Rent—A ten acre farm, having a house of five rooms, well, cistern, a hundred fruit trees, and other improvements. For particulars inquire of Mrs. N. W. COLEMAN, Mar 11 d&w3w Mason street

For Sale—Choice baled hay, delivered in any part of the city, by A. A. MURRAY, 24 ditw 21 North Main street.

Three Car Loads of choice baled Timothy hay, for sale by Dr. Mitchell or John H. Park 24 ditw

To Mechanics and Workmen Generally.

500 pairs jeans pants, in all colors and grades, of the most substantial materials, and guaranteed to fit, at astonishingly low figures, just received at B. STINE'S clothing house. [dec 10-dit]

Is your eyesight failing?—Try the Reading Glasses for sale by Pike, the Jeweler. feb 7 dit

L. L. Ferriess is selling the very best quality of boots and shoes, and warrants every pair. His prices are lower than any other store in the city. Now opening about fifty cases per week of new spring goods. mar 1 dit

Gent's Suits made to order in the very latest style at Linn & Scroggs. sep 3-dit

Pike, the Jeweler, keeps the best Spectacles in the city, and sells them at a reasonable price. [sept 1-dit]

We understand that the plumbers are getting up a testimonial to "Old Probabilities," for the favors shown this season.

LOUISVILLE, March 27.—The "hog story" about Secretary Bristow is reported by a Courier-Journal correspondent to have been related in jest to the representative of an Ohio journal, who was out to look up a sensation. The man who told it is now surprised that his auditor believed any part of the yarn. [illegible]

MONTREAL, March 23.—It is stated on good authority that, when March first came to Montreal, he became acquainted with an Ottawa gentleman, to whom he made a statement, which is said to differ very materially from anything hitherto made public. Detectives are said to have passed through this city on Friday last, for Ottawa, to get at facts to be used in the impeachment trial.

Boston, March 28.—The Post publishes an interview with General Kilpatrick, in which he denies that he left Washington to escape testifying before the investigating committee. He says he is willing to swear Gen. Battenfield offered him \$20,000 to assist him in securing the New York Collectorship, and he can bring a half a dozen witnesses who saw the offer in writing.

## TELEGRAPHIC.

### The Impeachment of Belknap.

### BRISTOW AFTER HIS ACCUSERS.

### A Woman Roasted to Death.

### ARREST OF CANADA SWINDLER AT PEORIA.

### Stage Robbery in Texas.

### "KIT" STICKS TO HIS \$20,000 STORY.

LOUISVILLE, March 28.—Mary Pyle, wife of John Pyle, engineer of the Ohio River tug Magnolia, met with a horrible death to-day. The woman is subject to epileptic fits, and while suffering from one of these set fire to her clothes. A neighbor discovered her in flames, but was unable to gain admittance to her room until too late, she falling dead as he entered. The entire part of her body from the small of the back to the shoulder blade was roasted apparently, to the depth of two inches. The skin of her throat and neck was cooked dry and rolled up into little scrolls, while her lips, eyes and nose were so burned and charred as to be unrecognizable. Her hair had caught from the flames arising from her garments, and had literally burned off her breasts, and the front portions of her body were burned until they presented a brown or baked appearance, and the flesh upon her arms and lower limbs appeared in some places to be cooked to the bone.

GALVESTON, TEX., March 28.—A special to the Galveston News from San Marcos, Texas, says the Austin stage was robbed in San Marcos Bottom, about three miles from town, yesterday evening, by two masked men. The robbers attacked the stage about nine o'clock, and compelled the driver to drive into the woods, where the passengers, eight in number, were made to give up their money and watches. After robbing the passengers, the robbers proceeded to rifle the mail. They permitted one passenger to retain his watch because he claimed that it was a family relic. For some distance this side of the road slips of white cloth were tied to bushes indicating that it might have been a signal to confederates on the stage. The robbers took two of the stage horses, cut the telegraph wire and left.

LOUISVILLE, March 28.—The United States District Attorney for the Kentucky District has received a dispatch from B. H. Bristow, Secretary of the Treasury, calling his attention to the Reeves statement in the Cincinnati Enquirer of the 27th inst., denouncing it as absolutely false so far as it concerned him, but saying that the lie was stated with such particularity that he did not intend to rest on a simple denial, and suggested that Reeves come before the grand jury and tell all that he knows of the matter. The next July 10, in the District will assemble April 10, when the whole matter will be investigated, and the official who has accepted a bribe, if there be such an official, will be exposed and punished.

PEORIA, ILL., March 28.—Last June a young man of good address, with plenty of money, and calling himself George R. Harper, came to this city and engaged board at a fashionable private boarding house. He lived quietly, never going out much, and was regarded as a very gentlemanly sort of fellow. Last night Detective Morton, of Belleville, Ont., arrived, and with the assistance of the authorities here, arrested Harper, whose real name is Godfrey. Harper, whose real name is Godfrey, last year Godfrey bought about \$20,000 worth of boots and shoes from the firm of Swardon & Young, of Montreal, on four months' time. Before the time was out he sold out and came here. He has just been discovered after searching continuously since the crime was committed. Godfrey was lodged in jail, where he will probably remain until he comes to some sort of terms with his creditors.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 28.—The two articles of impeachment on which the Senate will be asked to try ex-Secretary Belknap will be reported to the House on Thursday. The counts have been reduced to five from twenty-five, as follows: The first charges Belknap with receiving money corruptly while in office; the second charges bribery as defined by the statute; the third charges the payment of money to Belknap for continuing corruptly persons in office; the fourth charges him with receiving gifts while in office to influence him corruptly; the fifth charges Belknap with taking money corruptly for the use of himself and others.

## GET RELIABLE INFORMATION.

We would advise all persons who are contemplating a trip to the West, either for pleasure or for permanent settlement, to first select the BEST AND MOST DIRECT ROUTE. Now the fact that the Old Reliable Hannibal & St. Joseph Railroad and connections, form THE ONLY LINK RUNNING THROUGH PULMAN SLEEPING CARS AND DAY COACHES from Cleveland and Toledo via the T. W. & W. Ry., and from Chicago via the C. B. & Q. R. R. via Quincy to St. Joseph, Atchison and Kansas City, WITHOUT CHANGE, making direct connections at these points with all trains for the West and South, should satisfy every one that this is THE ROUTE. Should you desire a map of this line, or any information regarding time or rates, the same will be gladly furnished upon application, either by letter or in person, to T. PENFIELD, General Pass. and Ticket Agent, Hannibal, Missouri. [Feb 24 dit]

Ladies' Linen Handkerchiefs, with colored borders, for 15 cents—worth 35 cents, at Linn & Scroggs' Feb 18 dit

Legal Blanks.—THE REPUBLICAN office has now on hand a supply of estate mortgages, and an assortment of other legal blanks.

Just Received.—A complete assortment of spring cassimere, cloths and suitings; also our spring fashions. We are prepared to do work in the most skillful manner. Feb. 16-dit Linn & Scroggs.

## New Advertisements.

### OPERA HOUSE!

Monday Evening, April 3.

### MENDELSSOHN

### QUINTETTE CLUB CONCERT!

Of Boston, (organized 27 years), composed of the following artists:—  
WILLIAM SCHULTZE, Violin.  
CHARLES N. ALLEN, Violin.  
THOS. RYAN, Clarinet and Viola.  
EDW. HEINDL, Flute and Viola.  
RUDO. HENNIG, Violoncello.

Assisted by  
MR. ALEXANDER HEINDL,  
DOUBLE BASS AND CELLO,  
And the distinguished Vocalist,  
Miss E. A. HUMPHREY

Admission,.....50 and 75 cents.  
Reserved Seats, \$1.00.  
Now on sale at Abbott's jewelry store.  
Concert will begin at eight o'clock.  
March 29—dit

## Warren & Durfee

## Abstracts of Title

## INSURANCE,

## REAL ESTATE

—AND—

## Conveyancing Office.

300

## TOWN LOTS!

FOR SALE,

ON EASY TERMS.

October 23, 1874—d.

## Administrator's Notice

ESTATE OF JOHN BRANDT, DECEASED.  
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having claims and demands against the estate of the late John Brandt, deceased, to present the same for adjudication and settlement at a regular term of the County Court of Macon county, to be held at the Court House, in the city of Decatur, on the third Monday of May, A. D. 1875, being the first day of said term in said county, at 10 o'clock, A. M.  
MARSH FORTMYER, Administrator.

## OPERA HOUSE.

### One Evening Only.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 1st.

H. T. PADDOCK, Manager.

The Supreme Favorite and Pearl of the American Stage.

## Maggie Mitchell

Supported by the Sterling Actor.

## MR. WM. HARRIS,

—And a—

## First-Class Company.

SATURDAY-EVENING, APRIL 1st.

Maggie Mitchell's Great Specialty.

## FANCHON,

## THE CRICKET!

Sale of Bonds will commence at W. R. Abbott's jewelry store on Wednesday, March 29th, at 9 o'clock, A. M.  
Admission,.....75 and 50 cents.  
Reserved Seats,.....One Dollar.  
March 29—dit THOS. W. BROWN, Agent.

# HAYS & BARTHOLOMEW.

Reception Hours:  
From 6 o'clock A. M. until 9 o'clock P. M., until further orders.  
They want to see you all.

## RECEIVED THIS MORNING:

Two Boxes Handsomest Prints of the season;  
Six dozen genuine Cashmere Lace Ties and Bows—beautiful; and  
Two pieces genuine Cashmere Lace.

Decatur, Feb 27, 1874—d&w11

## GO TO HEADQUARTERS

—FOR—

# DRY GOODS!

# S. EINSTEN

Has commenced his Clearance Sale of Winter Goods, with GREAT BARGAINS in

# Dress Goods!

FLANNELS, CASSIMERES, SHAWLS, BLANKETS, Etc., Etc.

Also a full line of ladies' and gents'

# FURNISHING GOODS.

I am determined to reduce my stock, and will, therefore, offer special inducements to all. Come and see for yourselves. What I say I mean.

No. 21 North Water St.

Decatur, Jan. 29, 1876—d&w11

## SPAIDS' CHICAGO

TRADE MARK.

## STARCH

Manufactured by a New and Improved Process (without formalin), and free from the impurities and adulterations found in other brands.

## A PURE ARTICLE.

Of Great Strength. FIVE POUNDS being equal to SIX POUNDS of any other in the market. SAVING THE CONSUMER the price of one pound in size; and sold at No Higher Price than the standard brands which are all made by a ROTTING PROCESS that extracts a larger yield from the grain, but produces a weak starch.

## ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Our boxes contain the FULL WEIGHT, exclusive of box and wrapper, CONFORMABLE TO ESTABLISHED RULES. WE EMPLOY NO AGENTS or DRUMMERS, and instead, make it AN OBJECT FOR EVERY BOY to send for our STARCH by giving a STRONGER and better article, the SAVING ADDED to the QUALITY of the goods. DEALERS SEE PRICE LIST.

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(The Largest in the World.)

T. E. SPAIDS, President.

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March 10, 1875-June 10, 1875

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December 2, 1875, d17.

## Sheriff's Sale.

BY virtue of three executions to me di-

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Macou County, Illinois, in favor of

in favor of John Reedy and against Charles

A. Tuttle and C. O. R. H., for

the First National Bank, of Springfield,

Illinois, and against Charles A. Tuttle and

Thomas Day, and on the 22nd day of April,

1875, at the hour of two o'clock p. m. of

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Macou County Circuit Court.

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Performance.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, that in

the above entitled cause, in said court, at

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Brown, Master in Chancery for said court,

On Friday, the 31st day of March,

A. D. 1875,

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